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As the reference(s) listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08A are in English, under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), no further commentary is necessary.

A copy of each reference, together with a listing on Form PTO-1449, is submitted herewith. Applicants respectfully solicit the Examiner's consideration of the cited references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

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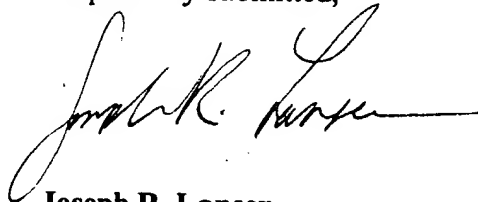
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It is respectfully submitted that the present invention as set forth in the claims of the subject application is patentably distinguishable over the patents and references cited herein, either alone or in combination. It is respectfully requested that all of the patents and references be considered and made of record in the present application.

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- 1) Information Disclosure Statement, Statement Filed Prior to First Office Action;
- 2) Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant, PTO Form PTO/SB/08A;
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